## **Voluntary Form for Hearing Aid Compatibility Status Report**

Reporting Period (MM/DD/)	YY) <u>01/01/2008</u> to (N	MM/DD/YY) <u>12/31/2008</u>					
Section 1. Company Information	Service Provider X	Device Manufacturer					
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Handset Maker	Model Name(s)	FCC ID(s)	Starting Available	Ending Available	Air Interface	Operating Frequency Bands	M- Rating	T-Rating	Interface	Functionality Level
			Date	Date	Technology					
			(MM/YY)	(MM/YY)						
	Black Berry 8310	L6ARBN40GW	6/08				M3	T3		A
	Black Berry 8320	L6ARBJ40GW	6/08				M3	T3		A
	Motorla L7c	IHDT56GS1	5/06				M4	T4		В
	Motorola V3	IHDT56EU1	5/05				M3	• •		В
	Motorola V3I	IHDT56GW1	9/06				M3	T3		A
	Motorola V3XX	IHDT56GW1	6/08				M3	T3		A
	Motorola V8	IHDT56HZ1	2/08				M3	T3		Α
	Nokia 6085	LJPRM-198H	4/08				M3	T3		В
	Nokia 6126	PPIRH-126	6/08				M3			Α
	Sony Ericsson									
	W580I	PY7A1052041	4/08				M3	T3		A
	Sony Ericsson Z710	PY7AF052041	3/07				M3	T4		Α
	Samsung T219	A3LSGHT219	6/08				M3	T3		Α
	Samsung T409	A3LSGHT409	6/08				M3	T3		Α

Carriers with a working website must post HAC information by January 15, 2009. While we cannot predict exactly what the FCC expects carriers to have on their websites, we suggest that your website at least contain the following items, modified accordingly to fit your company's individual circumstances:

This list should be updated within 30 days of any relevant changes.

2- Explanation of HAC and Rating System

Hearing Aid Compatibility (HAC) for Wireless Devices

<sup>1 -</sup> List of the hearing aid-compatible models offered for sale (identified by marketing model name/number), and the hearing aid compatibility ratings of those models (for example, M4/T4). Also, please list each handset's level of "functionality." We suggest using an "A," "B," and "C" level system. See item 3 below for details.

Hearing aids do not always function well with wireless handsets. Hearing aids operate by using a microphone to pick up sound waves, converting the sound waves into electrical signals to be amplified. Distortion or amplification of unwanted sound (noise) often occurs.

The FCC's hearing aid compatibility requirements address hearing aids that operate in either of two modes – acoustic coupling ("M" rating) or inductive coupling ("T" rating). Hearing aids operating in acoustic coupling mode receive through a microphone and then amplify all sounds surrounding the user, including both desired sounds, such as a telephone's audio signal, and unwanted ambient noise. Hearing aids operating in inductive coupling mode turn off the microphone to avoid amplifying unwanted ambient noise, instead using a telecoil to receive only audio signal-based magnetic fields generated by inductive coupling-capable telephones. The FCC's "M" and "T" ratings indicate whether a handset can be expected to function well with a hearing aid and are generally marked clearly on the handset packaging. The "M" or "T" rating does not guarantee that the handset will function without distortion or noise, so [Company] recommends that you test the handset before purchasing.

3 – Levels of Functionality

[Company] offers HAC-compatible handsets and devices in all major price categories, including low-cost ("C" level) (<\$100), moderate-cost ("B" level") (\$100-\$250), and high-end/feature-rich ("A" level) (>\$250). Costs generally correlate with the number of features, but, if though experience, [Company] finds that a certain handset contains features that work well with hearing aids, such as volume control, it will be labeled accordingly with an "A" level for functionality. [Company]'s sales staff is trained to assist all existing and prospective customers looking for a HAC-compliant device/handset. HAC-compatible handsets and devices vary in their inherent "levels of functionality," but typically at least one (1) HAC-compliant handset/device with features and services typical of its price category can be found that meets each customer's price range.

## Section 3. Retail Availability of Compliant Models:

HAC phones are available at both of our retail locations, such as Laufou Shopping Center in Nu'uul and Fagatogo Square.

Section 5. Total Acoustic and Inductive Cou Hearing Aid-Compatible Handset Models I	1 0 1		-Compatible,	and Non-
Air Interface Technology (GSM,CDMA,WCDMA, etc)	Number of Fully Hearing Aid-Compatible Handset Models	Number of Acoustic Coupling- Compatible Handset Models	Number of Non-Hearing Aid- Compatible Handset Models	Remark
GSM	13			

Section 7. Product Labeling Information:	
Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets include labeling?	
Yes X No	
If no, please explain.	
Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets with the Wi-Fi air interface have clear and effective disclosure that the handset has not been tested for hearing aid compatibility with respect to its Wi-Fi voice operation?	
Not applicable.	

Section 8. Public Website:
Does your company maintain a public website describing all hearing aid-compatible models, the ratings of those models, and an explanation of the rating system?
Yes X No No
If yes, please provide the address for the public website.
www.bluesky.as

**Section 9. Describe Consumer Outreach Efforts in the Past 12 Months:** Blue Sky Communications maintains a public website displaying their entire selection of handset and devices, including those that are HAC-compliant. Blue Sky's sales staff is trained to assist existing and prospective customers in identifying HAC-compatible handsets and devices. Existing or prospective customers can typically find whether a handset or device is HAC-compliant by either checking the packaging containing the handset/device, or by consulting the packaging insert or operations manual. For more information on HAC, existing and prospective customers can be directed to <a href="https://www.accesswireless.org/hearingaid/brochures.cfm">www.accesswireless.org/hearingaid/brochures.cfm</a> and other public websites dedicated to HAC.

Section 10. (Service Providers Only) Describe the Levels of Functionality into Which the Compliant Handsets Fall and Provide An Explanation of the Service Provider's Methodology for Determining Levels of Functionality: Blue Sky offers HAC-compatible handsets and devices in all major price categories, including low-cost (\$100, moderate-cost (\$100-\$250), and high-end/feature-rich (>\$250). [Company]'s sales staff is trained to assist all existing and prospective customers looking for a HAC-compliant device/handset. HAC-compatible handsets and devices vary in their inherent "levels of functionality," but typically at least one (1) HAC-compliant handset/device with features and services typical of its price category can be found that meets each customer's price range.